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Base Commanders Named

Maj. Samuel E. Garcia and Lt. Col. Gary J. Phipps were recently named commanders at Pope Air Force Base, according to the Pope public affairs office.

Garcia became commander of the 317th Civil Engineering Squadron.

He replaced Lt. Col. Walter E. Smith who is now commander of the 375th Civil Engineering Squadron at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois.

Phipps became commander of the 317th Security Police Squadron.

He replaced Maj. C.K. Akana who left for an assignment to Rhein Main Air Base in West Germany.

